

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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VTI-002

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2. ☒ Applicant Claims small entity status.  
See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification (preferred arrangement set forth below) [Total Pages 29]
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed-Sponsored R&D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. § 113) [Total Sheets 5]
  - ☐ Informal ☒ Formal
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
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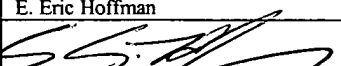
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1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																		
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			

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